Glossary

1. Bivariate

It is involving of two random variables, not necessarily independent of one another.

2. Covariance

A statistical measure of the variance of two random variables that are observed or measured in the same mean time period.

3. Continuous Data

A function or curve changing gradually in value as the variable changes in value.

4. Discrete

Defined for a finite or countable set of values.

5. Distribution

A set of numbers and their frequency of occurrence collected from measurements over a statistical population.

6. Expectation

The expected value of a random variable.

7. Function

A variable so related to another that for each value assumed by one there is a value determined for the other.

8. Intersection

It is the set of elements common to some collection of sets.

9. Integral

A number computed by a limiting process in which the domain of a function, often an interval or planar region, is divided into arbitrarily small units, the value of the function at a point in each unit is multiplied by the linear or areal measurement of that unit, and all such products are summed.

10. Moment

The expected value of a positive integral power of a random variable. The first moment is the mean of the distribution.

11. Probability

A number expressing the likelihood that a specific event will occur expressed as the ratio of the number of actual occurrences to the number of possible occurrences.

12. Probability Density Function

In probability theory, a probability density function (pdf), or density of a continuous random variable is a function that describes the relative likelihood for this random variable to occur at a given point.

13. Summation

The act or process of determining a sum.

14. Variable

A quantity capable of assuming any of a set of values.

15. Variance

The square of the standard deviation.